December 12, 2018

The Honorable Ajit Pai, Chairman
The Honorable Michael O'Rielly, Commissioner
The Honorable Brendan Carr, Commissioner
The Honorable Jessica Rosenworcel, Commissioner
Federal Communications Commission
455 12th Street, Southwest
Washington, DC, 20544

RE: MB Docket No 05-311 In the Matter of Implementation of Section 621(a)(1) of the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984 as Amended by the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992

We are writing in support of the Comments of the Cable Act Preservation Alliance ("CAPA") in the Second Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making. We oppose the tentative conclusions the FCC reaches in the proceeding because of their impacts on our community.

As a member of Danvers Cable Access Television (DCAT), the Danvers Art Association (DAA) has a priceless opportunity to offer our members access to equipment we could never afford to buy due to our limited budget as a non-profit organization serving the community by supporting all artists. As a result, DCAT together with DAA, have made available to some artists, from a disabled filmmaker to our resident choral singers, an otherwise unavailable opportunity to pursue their dreams.

We've also heard wonderful young artists talk about how much DCAT means to them. Through programs offered to middle and high school students by DCAT, our youth have all had a chance to develop valuable high tech as well as social skills. For this generation, growing up on social media, I can't imagine anything better for them than to be given a chance to develop enough confidence to interview adults and learn about local government. To be given the opportunity to interact face to face in the local community while also acquiring technical skills which, in some cases, may even inspire future good paying careers.

This benefit for members of the Danvers Art Association and everyone in the community of Danvers is what was intended when Congress set up the Cable Act. PEG Access does not solely benefit a local government or franchising authority: It benefits and strengthens the community as a whole.

By allowing cable operators to reduce franchise fee support for local communities if they opt for local channels, the FNPRM diminishes the ability of PEG channels to serve communities such as ours. We ask that it not be adopted.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

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